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CONSTRUCTION PROJECT FACT SHEET

I-10 AND PICARDY AVE. INTERCHANGE
State Project Numbers: 450-10-0111, 450-10-0124

PROJECT ENGINEER

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CONTRACTOR

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ROAD
WORK
AHEAD

◆ Fatal work zone crashes occur most often in Summer and Fall.

◆ Drivers are the most frequent fatalities in work zone crashes.

◆ More than 40,000 people are injured each year as a result of motor vehicle crashes in work zones.

◆ The speed limit will be lowered by 10 mph in active work zones.

◆ Be patient - it only takes an extra 25 seconds to cover one mile at 45 mph compared to 65 mph.

GOAL

The main goal of this project is to reduce traffic congestion at I-10 and Bluebonnet Boulevard and Siegen Lane.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project calls for the creation of two one-way frontage roads running eastbound and westbound along I-10, which will connect Siegen Lane and Bluebonnet Boulevard. One frontage road will run westbound along I-10, and will connect the on and off-ramps from I-10 westbound. The second frontage road will run eastbound along I-10, and will connect the on and off-ramps from I-10 eastbound. The two frontage roads will also connect to a new overpass running over the interstate, which will be an extension of the existing Picardy Avenue.

This project also calls for the widening and reconstruction of I-10 from Bluebonnet Boulevard to Siegen Lane.

FUNDING

State/Federal	\$26,477,082	
East Baton Rouge	\$14,418,757	TOTAL COST \$40,895,839

LANE CLOSURES AND ALTERNATE ROUTES

Periodic lane closures will occur, but will be limited to night time hours (8 p.m. - 6 a.m.) on Sundays through Thursdays. At all other times, two lanes of traffic will be maintained. No lane closures will be allowed on weekends (between 6 a.m. Friday and 8 p.m. Sunday) or on holidays.

Delays of twenty minutes should be anticipated. The speed limit will be reduced from 60mph to 50mph for the duration of the project.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE/ TIMEFRAME

The project is scheduled to begin April 19, 2004, and is scheduled for completion by Summer 2006, weather permitting.

For more information, please contact DOTD's Public Affairs Office at (225) 379-1232 or via email at PublicInformation@dotd.louisiana.gov. For updated project construction information, visit www.dotd.louisiana.gov/construc/.